

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks. Claims 1-7 remain pending. Claims 1, 5, 6, and 7 are independent.

DRAWINGS

The drawings are objected to for minor informalities. More specifically, references 19 and 46 of Figure 4, includes a spelling error. Figure 4 has been amended to address this objection. Applicant respectfully requests that the objection to the drawings be withdrawn.

§ 102 REJECTION - TANAKA

Claims 1-7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) allegedly being anticipated by Tanaka, et al. (USP 6,392,697, hereinafter "Tanaka"). Applicant respectfully traverses.

For a Section 102 rejection to be proper, the cited reference must teach or suggest each and every claimed element. See *M.P.E.P.* 2131; *M.P.E.P.* 706.02. Thus, if the cited reference fails to teach or suggest one or more elements, then the rejection is improper and must be withdrawn.

In this instance, Tanaka fails to anticipate the claims. For example, independent claim 1 recites, in part "a housing of said digital camera is separate from a housing of said portable communication apparatus." Independent claims 5, 6, and 7 recite similar features. As will be demonstrated below, Tanaka cannot be relied upon to teach or suggest at least this feature.

Tanaka is directed toward a digital still camera capable of communicating with a remote site by means of a wireless telephone system. *See Tanaka, column 1, lines 5-10.* Tanaka clearly discloses that the digital still camera and the wireless telephone are included in a single housing. *See Tanaka, column 1, lines 39-42; Figure 1.* This digital still camera of Tanaka, can transfer audio and image signals to the same type of digital still cameras, and can communicate with various remote devices including a computer. *See Tanaka, column 1, lines 61-67.*

Clearly, Tanaka cannot be relied upon to teach or suggest the feature of housing the digital camera separately from housing the portable communication apparatus. Indeed, Tanaka specifically teaches away from this feature since it states that the digital still camera and the wireless telephone are included in the single housing.

Therefore, independent claims 1, 5, 6 and 7 are distinguishable over Tanaka. Claims 2-4 depend from independent claim 1, directly or indirectly. Therefore, for at least the reasons stated with respect to independent claim 1 as well as on their own merits, dependent claims 2-4 are also distinguishable over Tanaka.

Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of claims 1-7, based on Tanaka, be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

All objections and rejections raised in the Office Action having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Hyung Sohn (Reg. No. 44,346), to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional

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fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly,
extension of time fees.

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Fig. 4

